



RAILROAD ISSUE IS BEFORE PRESIDENT

Hines Gives Up Attempt to Adjust Wages.

DEADLOCK IS NOT REACHED

Negotiations May Resume After Wilson Acts.

TRAINMEN NOT INCLUDED

Director-General Praises Candor of Men, but Says That He Cannot Agree to Proposals.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Director-General Hines, failing to reach an agreement with the representatives of the more than 2,000,000 railroad employes on demands for increased wages, decided tonight to submit the case to President Wilson for decision.

The appeal to the president is to be taken at the request of the union leaders after they had conferred with Mr. Hines for two hours late today, and after he had informed them there was no hope of an agreement under present conditions. Mr. Hines will send to the white house the statements of the unions, together with his own representations in the controversy.

The president is called on to determine whether the government will grant the increased wages or transfer the wage demand controversy to the corporations soon to regain control of the properties.

Break Is Not Final

Submission of the claims and arguments to the president, while temporarily ending the general negotiations, does not mean a final break, railroad administration officials explained. Neither members of Mr. Hines' staff nor the union spokesmen indicated that they felt that a deadlock had arrived, although the discussions were ended. Regardless of the president's decision in the matter, the difficulties could be ironed out after the close of the roads through machinery likely to be set up by pending legislation.

Mr. Hines' refusal to grant the employes' demands apparently was based entirely on the fact that federal control soon will cease. The director-general was understood to have kept this angle constantly before the union men, together with the argument that it would be unfair to the thousands of owners of railroad stock to increase the expenditures of their corporations when the government would be responsible for the revenues obtained for so brief a period.

Issue Up to President

In explanation of his action, Mr. Hines issued this statement: "Since February 3 the director-general has had frequent conferences with the chief executives of the railroad labor organizations for the purpose of devising means for disposing of the pending claims for wage increases. During these conferences the executives of the labor organizations have expressed their views with great ability and frankness.

"The director-general has not been able to agree with them as to how the problem should be disposed of in view of the early termination of federal control, and is now laying before the president the representations of the executives of the organizations and also his own report for the purpose of obtaining the president's decision in the premises.

"In any event the conferences have been decidedly helpful in bringing out a clearer development as to the real issues involved and as to the character of evidence pertinent to those issues and the discussion throughout has been characterized by courtesy as well as candor and with a sincere purpose on the part of all to try to find a solution."

At the White House last night it was said that Mr. Hines would present the data in the controversy to Secretary Tamm tomorrow morning and that they would be sent to the president immediately.

Submission to the president was in accordance with information given out earlier in the day at the White House that, after making a decision in the matter, Mr. Hines would report to the president.

Trainmen Not Included

The separate grievances and claims of the brotherhood of railroad trainmen were not included by Mr. Hines in the data sent to the White House. W. G. Lee, president of the trainmen will confer again tomorrow with Mr. Hines.

In a statement tonight, Mr. Lee declared that the government had not succeeded in reducing the cost of living by the Carnegie begun last summer and he, therefore, felt he could no longer hold the demands in abeyance.

"I expect to get the written answer of the director-general to the trainmen's request at the next conference with him," said President Lee, "after which the special committee of 26 officers and general chairman, authorized by the international convention of the brotherhood to handle the sub-

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TRUTH COMES OUT REGARDING WILSON

REPORT OF DR. YOUNG PROVES ALARMING RUMORS.

Lifting of Veil of Secrecy Reveals President's Illness Is Blood Clot on Brain.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 11.—From this time on Washington will be skeptical of reports given out as to President Wilson's condition. There was an apparent willingness to accept the statement of Dr. Hugh H. Young of Johns Hopkins university that Mr. Wilson had practically recovered.

But, if there should be any recurrence of the president's illness, which it is the unanimous hope will not come, the most alarming reports will be believed. The lifting of the veil by Dr. Young discloses the fact that the most alarming of the rumors which circulated for weeks regarding Mr. Wilson's condition were true. Yet those who gave currency to these reports were denounced as knaves.

Administration newspapers severely criticized those who intimated that Mr. Wilson's illness was due to anything more than a temporary exhaustion and Dr. Grayson either directly or indirectly denied such rumors.

Virtually the only report that Dr. Young's statement does not confirm is one to the effect that Mr. Wilson suffered a brain lesion. And how near to the truth was this report, for which Senator Moses of New Hampshire was pilloried by administration friends and newspapers throughout the country, is shown by this passage from the physician's statement:

"As you know, in October last we diagnosed the president's illness as cerebral thrombosis which affected the more anterior portion of the brain. Webster's dictionary defines 'thrombosis' as 'a clot of blood formed in the passage of a vessel and remaining at the site of coagulation.' Those contemplating this condition will not wonder at reports that he had suffered a brain lesion. Whether he suffered cerebral thrombosis or a brain lesion will strike the average individual as a difference not worth quarreling over and today there was the very common realization that, after all, the public had been duped.

"And, after all, it was all true," was a comment heard on every hand, expressed with some feeling of disgust.

When Dr. Young began the part of the statement quoted above with "as you know in October last we diagnosed the president's illness" as so and so, he was practicing a cunning kind of artifice, it was pointed out today, because, as he knew, the public was never permitted to know anything of the kind.

No one could be found today who had ever seen a White House bulletin conveying any such information or had read of it, it was pointed out, even privately from the president's physicians or attendants.

In view of the disclosures the public will be convinced that Mr. Wilson is recovering or has recovered when he is again seen upon the streets and at the theaters.

NAVAL AIR STATION URGED

Astoria Project Favored by Aviation Air Chief.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Two super-dirigibles, largest in the world, are planned by the navy and one of them, now being built in England, will attempt a trans-Atlantic flight next fall, Captain Craven, director of naval aviation, today told a house naval committee. American naval officers and enlisted men who will fly the British-built ship to America are in England training for the flight.

In asking \$2,700,000 for the construction of a second super-dirigible, Captain Craven said this vessel would be 50 feet longer than the British-built craft, which is 644 feet in length. Transcontinental flights of the big airships also are planned. Captain Craven told the committee, urging construction of a big hangar at North Island, near San Diego, Cal., as "an immediate necessity."

Nine air stations now on the Atlantic coast are to be continued permanently under the navy's plans, Captain Craven said. He proposed that other stations be constructed at Astoria, Or., and Port Angeles, Wash.

DR. HOUGH CITY'S GUEST

President of Northwestern University to Make Address Here.

Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, president of Northwestern university, will arrive in Portland this morning and will be the honor guest at a banquet to be held by the Northwestern Alumni association at the Benson hotel at 5:30 o'clock tomorrow evening. This banquet will be strictly informal, say those in charge, and every alumnus or former student of Northwestern university is invited to be present.

During his five-day stay in Portland Dr. Hough will fill a number of speaking engagements. He will address the students of Reed college this morning and will also speak before the Progressive Business Men's club, the Civic club and other organizations.

TROOPS STAY ON RHINE

Failure of Germans to Obey Treaty Defers Occupation Period.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—Premier Millerand Monday sent notice to Germany that the date from which the Rhine land occupation period is to be counted has been deferred.

This action was taken, he said, because of Germany's failure to execute certain clauses of the peace treaty.

CONFESSION RIPS VEIL OFF RED PLOT

Testimony of Roberts Admitted as Evidence.

EXPERT IDENTIFIES CALIBER

Grimm Felled by Bullets From 38-55 Rifle.

INSANITY PLEA DENIED

Judge Overrules Request for Alibi for Alleged Participant in Centralia Outrage.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN.

MONTESANO, Wash., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—Through the admission in evidence of two confessions, alleged to have been made voluntarily by Loren Roberts, one of the 11 I. W. O. defendants, on trial in superior court for the murder of Warren O. Grimm, the state today ripped the veil behind which moved the action of the Centralia armistice day attack.

Scarcely secondary in importance was the testimony of Bert G. Clark, attorney, Seattle, an expert on ballistics, who identified the caliber of the bullets which killed Warren O. Grimm and Arthur McElfresh. Grimm was slain by a 38-55 caliber bullet, testified Clark, while McElfresh met death by a 22-caliber high-power missile.

The state has offered in evidence a 38-55 rifle, of which the defense has denied all knowledge, and has alleged it was fired from the Avalon hotel, killing Grimm. Loren Roberts, from Seminary hill, is alleged to have used the only 22-caliber high-power rifle possessed by the I. W. O. riflemen.

Evidence Ruled In

Almost the entire day was given over to argument about the admissibility of the confessions and to their reading. Judge John M. Wilson, presiding, ruled the documents admissible as evidence and denied the request of the defense to produce testimony at this time in support of the contention that Roberts was insane when he made the statements, and is insane even now.

The first confession, uttered at Olympia November 17, had been signed and sworn to by the defendant. The second and supplementary confession, uttered at Centralia November 24, bore no signature, testimony showing that Roberts had refused to sign it. Both are amplifications of the original confession made by Roberts on the night of his surrender, and published at that time by The Oregonian.

Jurors Are Admonished

Judge Wilson, in ruling on the admission of the documents, admonished the jurors that the statements therein must be considered only insofar as

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BOY RISKS LIFE TO FLAG TRAIN ON O.-W.

HOMER LOVELL WARNS OF SLIDE NEAR HOOD RIVER.

Fourteen-Year-Old Farm Lad Probably Saves Many Lives and Is Rewarded.

What might have been a disastrous train wreck costing a heavy toll of lives was narrowly averted three miles this side of Hood River yesterday afternoon when Homer Lovell, a 14-year-old farm boy, leaped in front of the on-rushing O.-W. R. & N. passenger train No. 5 from the east and by frantic signals brought it to a halt within a few feet of a heavy rock slide which barred the way.

The lad came upon the slide just a few minutes before the passenger train was due to reach that point. Rushing back up the track until he saw the train approaching, he stood on the inside of the track and made a frantic effort to signal the fireman. Unable to attract the fireman's attention to his danger signal, the youth jumped across the track just ahead of the train and waved his hat desperately at the engineer.

Sensing the danger, the engineer brought his train to a stop. The engine crunched to a complete halt just a few rods from the heavy boulders of rock weighing several tons, which barred the way.

In appreciation of the boy's heroism, which the passengers said averted a catastrophe, they took up a collection at the suggestion of Mr. Adams and procured a purse of \$50 to present to the boy.

The money was turned over to J. W. Ream, conductor, and by him will be presented to the Lovell youth when the conductor reaches Hood River on his return trip out of Portland.

KOLCHAK IS EXECUTED

Supreme Ruler Bayoneted by His Own Troops.

LGNDON, Feb. 11.—Admiral Kolchak was executed by his own troops to prevent his rescue by "white" troops moving in the direction of Irkutsk for that purpose, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Herald. The Moscow soviet sent a wireless message asking his captors to spare his life, but the appeal was too late.

The Moscow wireless service on January 31 transmitted an extract from an article from the official bolshevik organ which said: "Only a few days ago Supreme Ruler Kolchak was hoisted on his soldiers' bayonets."

CHEYENNE ORDERS DRILL

Military Training Compulsory for Able-Bodied Boys of 14.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 11.—Military training today was made compulsory in public schools at Cheyenne. An order was issued requiring every physically fit high school boy 14 years of age or more to enroll in the local unit of the junior reserve officers' training corps for three hours a week.

WOOD FAVORS LEAGUE WITH RESERVATIONS

MODIFICATIONS URGED BY LODGE ARE APPROVED.

Candidate Believes Traditional Policies and Freedom of Action Should Be Fully Safeguarded.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—General Leonard Wood, replying today to the request of Senator William E. Borah for views of republican party candidates on the league of nations and the peace treaty, said he believed "that we should accept the league of nations as modified and safeguarded by existing Lodge reservations."

General Wood declared that in his opinion the people at large had indicated they favored the treaty, provided America's rights were fully safeguarded, and that he did not believe it necessary to delay consideration for a general election.

The reply, made public tonight, followed: "I believe that we should accept the league of nations as modified and safeguarded by the existing Lodge reservations, reservations that Americanize and safeguard our traditional policies, reservations which leave America absolutely free and untrammelled in all questions of foreign and domestic policy."

"I, of course, at all times favor getting the views of the people of the country where it is practicable. However, in view of the fact that the people have clearly indicated—as I see it—that they are in favor of a treaty if our traditional policies, interests and freedom of action are fully safeguarded, it seems unnecessary to delay this most important question for a general election in which their views could hardly be more directly expressed than they have already been."

"With reference to your question as to my views on the foreign policy of this government, I am in favor of, and shall continue to be in favor of, one well-established foreign policy of this government, which conserves and promotes the interests of our own country. I do not think this treaty with the reservations impairs that policy. It does not entangle us. It leaves us free to exercise our own judgment; it is temporary if we choose to have it so; we can retire on two years' notice."

SICK MAN DIES ON ROAD

Foreman of Lumber Camp Starts to Town, Overtaken by Death.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—Andrew Townsend, 50, foreman of the Simpson lumber camp near Shelton, an employe of the company for 20 years, died yesterday on the way to Shelton to get medical treatment. He had complained of being ill, but felt able to walk to town. He took the wrong road and was found by friends, who organized a searching party when it was learned he had not arrived at Shelton.

Huge Fund Available

The Plumb plan league, which is more interested than any other league in the fight, can raise \$2,000,000 by the assessment of \$100 on each member and by making, or so it is claimed, a loan of \$4,000,000 can be raised. The league could hardly spend even half that amount legitimately in its plan to secure control of the railroad properties, therefore much would be left for the prosecution of its fight with the American Federation of Labor. As there are less than 100 districts in which a fight is likely to be made, it can easily be seen that very large sums will be available where needed most. Even \$100,000 could be expended against Representative Webster or McArthur, who are said to hold preferred positions on the union blacklist, and leave abundant money for others.

McArthur Makes Statement

Representative McArthur issued a statement today, in which he said: "I am not surprised that I am on the American Federation blacklist. I am really glad I am on the list, for it is quite an honor to be opposed by those forces who wish to set up a class government in this country. The ultimate end and aim of the federation is a government in which no man without a union card would have a voice. The radical element in control of the federation will not take kindly to such a scheme. Half of the membership of the unions will oppose it in the security of the election booth."

"The labor union people are opposed to me because I advocate anti-strike railroad legislation in the interests of all the American people. If they wish to make a campaign issue out of this at the coming primaries, I accept the challenge. Let them trot out a candidate or endorse one who is willing to go on the hustings and tell the people that the strike is preferable to the settlement of labor disputes by a governmental tribunal."

INLAND WHEAT MEN AROUSED

Business Interests and Farmers Begin Fight Against Gronna Bill.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—Aroused by the belief that the passage of the Gronna bill to repudiate the government guarantee on the wheat prices would be disastrous to the wheat growers of the northwest, business interests and the commercial club have started a fight against the measure. Telegrams were exchanged with Congressman Summers, who has secured a hearing for opponents of the measure and has asked that arguments against the bill be mailed immediately. He also secured the pledge of Senators Jones

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GILLETT PUT ON LABOR BLACKLIST

Speaker of House Rouses Ire of Gompers.

BIG UNION FUND AVAILABLE

Railroad Brotherhoods Could Easily Raise \$4,000,000.

McARTHUR DEFENDS ACTS

Oregon Representative Considers It Honor to Be Opposed by Railroad Strike Advocates.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 11.—Representative Webster of Washington state and McArthur of Oregon, who are marked for defeat by the American Federation of Labor, according to the political programme announced a few days ago, have some distinguished company.

Frederick Gillett, speaker of the house, also has been placed on the blacklist by reason of a recent speech which stirred President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor to reply. There is no doubt that labor will make the fight which has been threatened, and there will be a campaign in several districts such as has never been witnessed before.

There will be abundant funds for the fight. It has been privately boasted that it would be possible to throw \$50,000 or more into any congressional district where labor seeks to unseat a representative to do the bidding of Mr. Gompers. This boast is warranted by the facts, because the railroad brotherhoods will be at the fore in the fight, which is to be directed with the most pressure by those who have supported anti-strike legislation or who voted against the Anderson amendment to the Each railroad bill confirming all of the present high wages of the railroad workers.

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DRESS SUIT BANNED BY O. A. C. STUDENTS

EVENING CLOTHES ARE NOT CONSIDERED DEMOCRATIC.

Students Decide to Prolong Dances and Arrange for More Social Affairs for Season.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 11.—(Special.)—The student body, by an overwhelming majority, went on record this morning as against formal parties. The discussion centered around the use of the dress suit and was participated in by both men and women. The general feeling seemed to be that dress suits and democracy do not go together, especially in institutions where more than 70 per cent of the men and women are making their way through college on what they earn.

The student body voted on the rules as proposed by the committee which was elected recently, by the student body on the occasion of the student affairs committee, holding two student officers disqualified.

Other rules voted on and accepted by the assembly were: "Change of the closing hour of college entertainments from 11 until 11:45 o'clock, providing the technical organizations may schedule dances, allow fraternities, clubs and other organizations to give a dance each term, make the scholarship average which a club or fraternity must keep up 80 per cent unless the average of the student body falls below that mark. These recommendations will be sent to the faculty rules revision committee.

GABY DESLYS IS DEAD

French Actress and Dancer Succumbs to Throat Infection.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—Gaby Deslys, the French actress and dancer, died today.

Gaby Deslys had recently undergone several operations for an infection of the throat. Early in December she was considered to be in grave condition and her relatives were summoned from America.

The name of Gaby Deslys became known after her former husband, Stanislas Deslys, died in 1915. She arrived in America in 1915. She returned to London and Paris the following year.

The throat infection from which the actress suffered is said to have been a complication of influenza.

POLES FACE STARVATION

400,000 Tons of American Grain Needed Before Next Harvest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Poland needs 400,000 tons of American grain to avert starvation until her harvests next September, according to Stanislaus J. Aros, newly arrived here from Warsaw to act as plenipotentiary of the Polish government in food matters.

Even with American grain, the Poles will suffer from under-nourishment, he said.

At present, he stated, all non-protein are on rations of 130 grams daily per person, or about 120 grammes below normal.

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JEALOUSY MURDER CAUSE

20-Year-Old Girl Shot by Jilted Sweetheart.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—The green-eyed monster, jealousy, was responsible for a murder committed at Miller Rock, Wash., a fishing hamlet on the north shore of the Columbia, about 20 miles above here. The slayer is Paul Jurinovich, an Austrian fisherman, aged about 30 years, and his victim was 20-year-old Ellie Lanning.

The two had been sweethearts, but recently Miss Lanning has been keeping company with another. This enraged Jurinovich, who, after some words with his former sweetheart last night, shot her dead. Jurinovich surrendered this morning to the sheriff of Wahkiakum county.

STOLEN JEWELRY FOUND

\$16,000 Loot Recovered in Mud on Seattle Street.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 11.—An eight-carat diamond and a diamond and platinum finger watch, taken from Mrs. Joseph Danz by two robbers who held her up late last night, were found late today, crusted with mud, lying beside a candy box in a street northwest of the scene of the robbery. Mrs. Danz notified the police.

The diamond, which formerly was a part of the collection of the late United States Senator Tabor of Colorado, was purchased at auction in the east for \$8,000, but was valued by its owner at \$15,000, according to Mrs. Danz. The watch was estimated to be worth \$1000.

